

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

1-21. (Canceled)

22. (Currently Amended) A method for detecting a symptomatic *Streptococcus pneumoniae* infection in a human subject of age 12 years or less comprising:

applying, to a bibulous test strip, a urine sample obtained from a human subject of age 12 years or less;

flowing the urine sample along the bibulous test strip;

mobilizing a tagged antibody capable of binding the C-polysaccharide antigen of *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, the tagged antibody having been present in a dried state on the bibulous test strip, to form a mixture comprising the urine sample and the mobilized tagged antibody;

binding the tagged antibody and the antigen, if present, to form ~~complexes~~conjugates in the mixture;

flowing the mixture, including the ~~complexes~~conjugates if formed, further along the bibulous test strip;

binding at least one of the ~~complexes~~conjugates, if present, to antibodies specific for the ~~complexes~~conjugates immobilized in at least one scrub zone along the bibulous test strip;

flowing the mixture comprising any ~~non-bound complexes~~conjugates that have not bound to the antibodies specific for the conjugates immobilized in the at least one scrub zone, if present, downstream of the at least one scrub zone; and

binding, to antibodies specific for the ~~complexes~~conjugates immobilized in a capture zone downstream of the at least one scrub zone, any ~~non-bound complexes~~conjugates that have not bound to the antibodies specific for the conjugates immobilized in the at least one scrub zone, if present, wherein color formation in the downstream capture zone resulting from the binding of any such conjugates to the antibodies specific for the conjugates immobilized in a capture zone downstream of the at least one scrub zone is indicative of a symptomatic *Streptococcus pneumoniae* infection in the subject.